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Per Curiam Decisions.

No. 490. UNITED STATES *v.* COTTON VALLEY OPERATORS COMMITTEE ET AL. Appeal from the United States District Court for the Western District of Louisiana. Argued April 18, 1950. Decided April 24, 1950. *Per Curiam:* The judgment is affirmed by an equally divided Court. MR. JUSTICE CLARK took no part in the consideration or decision of this case. *Assistant Attorney General Bergson* argued the cause for the United States. With him on the brief were *Solicitor General Perlman, Charles H. Weston, Stanley M. Silverberg* and *Richard E. Guggenheim. Arthur O'Quin* argued the cause for the Ohio Oil Co. et al., appellees. With him on the brief were *Charles D. Egan, David E. Smitherman, John M. Madison, W. Scott Wilkinson, H. F. Aby, Leslie Moses, A. M. Gee, C. F. Currier* and *Leon O'Quin. Charles L. Black* argued the cause for the Stanolind Oil & Gas Co. et al., appellees. With him on the brief were *Donald Campbell, W. W. Heard* and *Dan Moody. Chas. B. Wallace, Walace Hawkins* and *Earl A. Brown* submitted on brief for the Magnolia Petroleum Co., appellee.

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